

IN CASE GRESSER HAS TO GO

QUEENS CITIZENS SEEKING A HIGH GRADE SUCCESSOR.

Name of Bridge Commissioner Kingsley I. Martin suggested—Ex-President Cassidy Seems Surprised That Any One Should Say He Is Not a Candidate.

In the expectation that Borough President Gresser of Queens will be removed as the result of the petition sent to Albany on Saturday by the members of the Queens county Grand Jury, which spent two and a half months investigating the charges of grafting among public officials in Queens, a movement has been started looking to the selection of a man of high standing and high ability to succeed him in the office of President of the borough. The name of Bridge Commissioner Kingsley I. Martin was mentioned yesterday. Commissioner Martin was the consulting engineer in charge of the building of the new Queensboro Bridge and in that way he became acquainted with Queens and now has his home in Flushing.

Whether Mr. Martin would feel like going up a salary of \$10,000 to accept the place of President of the Borough of Queens at \$5,000 is a question. Business men of Queens who have made a study of the situation say that the salary paid the Borough President of Queens is not adequate. It is pointed out that the Police Magistrates and Municipal Justices get from \$6,000 to \$7,000 a year for ten years with an average of about one hour work a day and that the County Clerk, who holds a day office, makes in six months more than the President of Queens gets in his entire term of four years. Those who want a man of the standing of Mr. Martin say the salary should be \$15,000 a year.

In addition to the quest of a fit man for the Borough Presidency it was made known yesterday that there was some misunderstanding in the camp of ex-President Joe Cassidy, who, it is said, has been campaigning night and day ever since the graft inquiry started in May last. Cassidy has been in line for the vacancy should President Gresser be ousted. To the surprise of many followers of Cassidy several of the local newspapers of Queens published on Saturday in black type a statement purporting to have been given out by one of Cassidy's lieutenants to the effect that Cassidy was not a candidate for the office of Borough President of Queens. The article said that if Mayor Gaynor wanted assurances that Cassidy was out of the race all he had to do was to write a letter to Cassidy, who would make a written reply saying that he did not want the office and would not take it if offered him.

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TO HELP CLOAK STRIKERS.

Unions in Other Towns Offer to Assist—May Go Out in Newark.

Delegates from various towns and cities came yesterday to the headquarters of the striking cloakmakers in Beethoven Hall with offers of cooperation if necessary. Two delegates from Newark, N. J., reported that all work which was being done in Newark for New York manufacturers affected by the strike had been stopped.

Some of the delegates of the International Union of Garment Workers are to meet on Wednesday to consider calling a general strike. The call says that the cloakmakers get low wages and have to pay high prices for the garments they make themselves. A strike in Newark would be an independent movement.

The request of the State Board of Arbitration that a committee of the Cloak Manufacturers Association be appointed to investigate the strikers' settlement was refused by the strikers' representatives.

A vote was cast to put themselves on record as being opposed to arbitration. As a result of the settlement committee would rather have arbitrators than arbitrators. Arbitration is brought about by the strikers' representatives.

It was stated that several independent manufacturers were at the Victoria Hotel to-day, where they were waiting for an agreement signed by the strikers to be binding. They were waiting to-day. Bloch says there are no applications for a settlement and that the strikers will be signed to-day.

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ICE AND \$1.70 GONE.

Petty Swindle Worked in Jersey City's City Hall on Trusting Joe Cosmos.

A coastless young man with the air of a person holding down a political job snatched out of the Mercer street side door of the City Hall in Jersey City on Saturday evening and crossed the asphalt pavement to Joseph Cosmos's ice stand.

"Say, Joe," he said, "get a move on and take 30 cents worth of ice to the elevator in the basement of the City Hall. Bring change for a \$2 bill and don't dally."

Cosmos thought that the young man was a clerk working overtime and he hurried to fill the order. He trudged into the City Hall basement with the ice and met his supposed customer at the elevator.

"Where's the \$1.70 change?" asked the clerk.

"Here," replied Joe, forking over his good currency.

"Just wait a minute while I go up to my office and get the bill," said the stranger as he stepped aboard the car.

"Main floor, please," he murmured to Policeman McManus, who had been detailed to duty as elevator man, and the car shot up to the first floor, where the stranger got off.

Cosmos waited twenty minutes for the man to return and then he confided to a letter to Cassidy, who would make a written reply saying that he did not want the office and would not take it if offered him.

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READY TO PUT BRYAN OUT

NEBRASKA DEMOCRATS EXPECT HIM TO TURN REPUBLICAN.

Must Eat Crow, Support the Republican Platform or Be Silent—Leaders Plan to Keep Him Off All Convention Committees and Can His Oratory.

OMAHA, July 17.—William Jennings Bryan is to be completely crushed by the Nebraska Democracy, now that he is "down and out." That is the word which to-day went out from the leaders to all counties of the State where conventions have not already been held. Not a single Bryan man is to be placed on delegations regardless of the instructions given the delegates by the county conventions.

The poor showing made by Bryan and his county option scheme in yesterday's county conventions was so surprising to the insurgents that they have determined once for all to rid themselves of the "Poor Leader." The anti-county optionists expected victory, but not so overwhelming, and the weakness displayed by Bryan has made the opposition leaders bold to go in and "throw Bryan over the transom."

To date Bryan has captured the delegation from only one county. Special effort will be made in the counties yet to hold conventions to prevent the naming of a single Bryan sympathizer in the convention itself. The plan is to not put Bryan upon a single committee, that the time of the great speech which he is expected to make be to the minimum and that while he is actually speaking the delegates will be busy with other matters.

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BUENOS AYRES CONFERENCE.

U. S. Accepts Only One Chairmanship of Many Offered—Tone Very Friendly.

WASHINGTON, July 17.—A cable despatch was received at the State Department to-day from Henry White, chairman of the United States delegation to the fourth Pan-American conference at Buenos Ayres, saying that the conference was completely organized yesterday. The members of the American delegation were urged to accept the chairmanships of several important committees.

In accordance with instructions from Secretary of State Knox directing the delegates not to take too many important offices in the organization of the conference Mr. White deemed it best to decline all except the chairmanship of the committee on steamship service between the American republics. Lewis Nixon, the New York shipbuilder, was assigned as chairman of this committee.

The conference, Mr. White added, is remarkable for its harmonious atmosphere and for a general disposition which is practically friendly to the United States. In addition to other commissions the delegates are required to have special full powers to authorize the signing of referendums, acts of the conference. These are being sent by telegraph, to be followed later by formal documents.

WANDERINGS OF A DERELICT.
Norwegian Bark Crown Drifts About 1,100 Miles and Through Saragosa Sea.

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SIMON'S SLAYER A SUICIDE

"BARONESS DE MASSEY" HANGS HERSELF IN MATTEAWAN.

She Shot a Broadway Merchant in His Office in November, 1908, and Was Sent to Auburn for Manslaughter, but Was Transferred to the Asylum.

Anisia Louise de Massey, who was convicted of killing Gustav Simon, a shirt waist manufacturer, on November 19, 1908, committed suicide in her cell in the Matteawan asylum yesterday afternoon by hanging herself.

Mrs. de Massey was transferred to Matteawan from Auburn prison in May, 1907. The women prisoners in the asylum are confined in small rooms, one prisoner to a room. At 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, while the attendant who was in charge of the corridor on which Mrs. de Massey's room opened, was at the other end of the corridor, Mrs. de Massey tied one end of a towel to the steel screen over the transom above the door of her room and the other end about her neck and hanged herself. She was dead when the attendant found her.

The woman used to call herself a baroness. She had been working for Simon as a designer. On the day of the murder she went to Simon's office on the sixth floor of the building at 804 Broadway to collect \$25, which she said he owed her for her work. It was then 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Simon told her to come back at 3:30. The woman went out into the hallway, got a revolver out of a pocket in her skirt and turning back to the doorway fired three shots, one of which caught Simon in the breast. Mrs. de Massey ran down the five flights of stairs, putting her revolver in a paper bag and leaving it on the stairs on her way. She was stopped as she was about to board a Broadway car by a policeman, who took her back into the building, where she was identified.

She took the witness stand at her trial and denied the shooting. She said that she went to the office to collect her pay and that Simon told her he had decided not to pay her and she could sue if she wanted. She said she left the office then and knew nothing about the shooting until she was arrested. The jury found her guilty of manslaughter in the first degree and recommended mercy. Justice Blanchard sentenced her on May 16, 1907, to seven years and five months in the prison for women at Auburn. She was in Auburn only a few days.